

CURRICULUM VITAE

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STUDIES

- GITIS**, Moscow, Opera Stage Directing, post-graduate studies 1990
- Theater Academy Helsinki**, Master of Arts in Stage Directing 1984-90
- Ecole Internationale de Mimodrame de Paris** Marcel Marceau 1982-84
- Finnish National Opera Ballet School** 1980-82
- Dance Studies** with Tamara Rasmussen, Reijo Kela and Aku Ahjolinna
- The Helsinki Conservatory of Music**, Violin 1974-1982
- Helsinki University**, Musicology, Theater Research, Theoretical Philopsolphy 1979-1982
- Lycée franco-finlandais d'Helsinki**, graduate 1979

STAGE WORKS

OPERA

Stage Direction

- 2016 The Gift of Magi, Rautavaara, Music House Helsinki
- 2016 Hänsel und Gretel, Humperdick, Music House Helsinki
- 2016 Szerellem (Love), Varga, World premiere, Hungarian State Opera
- 2016 The Mine, Rautavaara, World premiere Hungarian State Opera
- 2016 Indigo, Kivilaakso-Toppinen, Finnish National Opera (FNO)
- 2015 Sempre, Sempre 3, Sibelius Academy
- 2015 L'Incoronazione di Poppea, FCO (Finnish Chamber Opera), FNO
- 2015 Cardillac, Hindemith, Estonian National Opera
- 2015 Nabucco, Verdi, Tampere Opera
- 2014 Frida y Diego, Aho, World premiere, Music House Helsinki
- 2014 La Voix Humaine, Poulenc, Carelia Hall, FCO, Joensuu
- 2013 Sempre, sempre 2 Sibelius Academy
- 2013 and 2014 Kekkonen, Pulkkis, Ilmajoki Festival
- 2013 Pagliacci, Leoncavallo, FNO
- 2013 Bluebeards Castle, Bartok, FNO
- 2013 Akseli, Hakola, FCO
- 2012 The Consul, Menotti, Sibelius Academy
- 2012 Five Women in a Chapel, Pulkkis, FCO
- 2012 La Fenice, Hakola, Savonlinna Opera Festival (SOF)
- 2012 Tannhäuser, Wagner, Tampere Opera
- 2012 Eugen Onegin, Tchaikowsky, Vaasa Opera
- 2011 Sempre, sempre, italian composers, Sibelius Academy
- 2011 Tangosolo, Kyllönen Nunez, FCO
- 2010 Un Ballo in Maschera, FNO
- 2009 The Fall of the House of Usher, Philipp Glass, FCO
- 2009 The House of the Sun, E-J Rautavaara, Sibelius Academy, University of Texas, Austin
- 2009 Marjatta, Lowly Maiden, E-J Rautavaara, Tapiola Choir
- 2009 Macbeth, Verdi, Royal Swedish Opera Stockholm

- 2008 La Traviata, Verdi, Jyväskylä Opera
- 2008 Acis et Galatea, Händel, FCO,
- 2008 Don Giovanni, Mozart, Sibelius Academy, FNO
- 2006 La forza del destino, Verdi, Stadttheater Bern
- 2005 The Horseman, Sallinen, Savonlinna Opera Festival (SOF)
- Bolshoi Theater Moscow 2006
- 2005,2007 Pique Dame, Tschaikowsky, FNO
- 2004 Two Juhas, Merikanto/Madetoja, Sibelius Academy
- 2004 Rigoletto, Verdi, The Göteborg Opera
- 2003 Rasputin, E-J Rautavaara, FNO
- Marinsky Theater St.Petersbourg 2005
- 2003 Carmen, Bizet, Tampere Opera
- 2001 (2003,2008) La fanciulla del West, Puccini, FNO
- 1999 (2000,2002) Faust, Gounoud, SOF
- 1997 Aleksis Kivi, E-J Rautavaara, SOF
- 1998, Opéra National du Rhin
- 1999, Teatro Rendano Cosenza
- 1997 l'Heure Espagnol, Ravel, Sibelius Academy
- 1996 Le Nozze di Figaro, Chydenius, in collaboration with MC
- Aura, Turku Art Academy
- 1994 Laurentius, Rechberger, Tikka, FNO and The Church of St.Lawrence
- 1994 The Moomins Opera, Kuusisto, Kuopio Opera
- 1993 The Ear's Tale, Tuomela, Kiljunen, Hotinen, FNO
- 1993 La Voix Humaine, Poulenc, Lehtinen, SOF
- 1992 Firenze 1682, Rechberger, Helsinki University
- 1992 La Clemeza di Tito, Mozart, Savijoki, Espoo Culture Centre

OTHER

Stage Directions

- 2009,2008 Östersjöfondet Charity Concert, Ålandth
- 2005 Matti Salminen 60 Birthday Concert, Savonlinna
- 2003 Kaspar, Handke/Nevanlinna, Kiasma Theater, Helsinki Festival
- 2000 Firekid, Street Musical, Theater Pieni Suomi (TPS)
- 1999 Parsifal ,v.Essenbach/Parkkinen/Hotinen, TPS
- 1997 A Christmas Carol, Dickens, TPS
- 1995 Oidipus Rex, Sofokles, in sign language, Turku Art Academy
- 1994 Carmina Burana, Vänskä, Lahti Symphony Orchestra, Lahti
- 1992 Renaissance Spectacle, Kiljunen/Viskari, Helsinki
- 1998 Line 1 Musical, Ludwig/Heymann/Salervo, Kemi City Theater
- 1987 The Return of the Headless Officer), Hietala, Sweaborg Summer Theater--
- 1987 Kiljusen Herrasväki (The Gentlefolk Kiljunens), Finne/Holmberg, Helsinki City Theatre

Finnish Broadcasting Company, YLE Productions

- 2013 My Name is Red,I,II,III Pamuk/Sipari
- 2011 Name of the Rose, I, II, III, Eco/Sipari
- 2009 Heads, Kari Hukkila
- 2001 Fireface, Mayenburg/Kiljunen
- 1997 Pillerinpyörittäjä (Scarab), Kata Kärkkäinen/Kiljunen
- 1996 Orgy, Pasolini/Kiljunen
- 1996 Discours dans l'enfer entre Machiavel et Montesquieu, Kiljunen/Joly/Franck
- 1994 Pornography, Gombrovic/Kokkonen

Stage Director Assistant

- 1995-96 Palace, Sallinen, Holmberg, SFO
- 1992 Kullervo, Sallinen, Holmberg, Los Angeles Music Center, FNO (1993)
- 1990 Il Tabarro and Gianni Schicchi, Puccini, Holmberg, FNO
- 1989 Faust, Gounod, Andras Miko, FNO
- 1984,1985 Thomas, E-J Rautavaara, Tapola, Joensuu Music Festival, FNO

OTHER ARTISTIC ACTIVITY

- 1981-88 Production Planner and Performer at the Jack Helen Brut Performance Group, Helsinki, Lissabon, Madrid, Reykjavik
- Actor-Mime in Théâtre de Sphère , Paris 1984
- 1981-82 Dancer at Jazz Point Group, in productions such as 5+5
- 1981-82 Actor in the TV- (Snow in Apple Blossoms), Keke, MTV3
- 1980-82 Actor in Helsinki Basement Theater

OTHER ACTIVITY

- artistic advisor in the Finnish Chamber Opera from 2016
- from 2008 Council member of the Savonlinna Opera Festival
- 2002-07 Artistic committee member at the Savonlinna Opera Festival
- 1997-2000 Artistic director of the Theater Pieni Suomi

TEACHING ACTIVITY

- regularly teaching in Sibelius Academy Opera studio from 2005
- 2007 Master class for the finalists of the Mustakallio Singing Competition together with Tom Krause, Savonlinna
- 1996,2002,2004 Play Analysis and Direction Planning, Department of Set Design, Theater Academy Helsinki
- 1994-96 Acting and Directing, Turku Art Academy
- 1991-92 Theater Academy Helsinki, Head of Department of Directing
- 1990-93 Theater Academy Helsinki, Lecturer for Directing
- 1986 Acting and Directing, Voionmaa Summer School